(b) whether Nepal has turned to China and is attracting Chinese tourists with incentives like making Chinese Yuan a legal lender in the country: and

(c) what steps Government are taken to ensure that more Indian tourists go to Nepal ?

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM AND CULTURE (SHRI ANANTH KUMAR): (a) Yes, Sir. There has been decline in the number of Indian tourists visiting Nepal in recent times.

(b) Under a bilateral arrangement China has included Nepal as a preferred destination for Chinese tourists. Government of India has no confirmed reports of possibility of Chinese Yuan being made a legal lender in Nepal.

(c) While the choice of destination continues to be the prerogative of tourists themselves bilateral mechanisms between the two Governments to promote trade and tourism continued to be in operation

Preservation and restoration of National Monuments in Delhi by ASI 4126.

SHRIMATI VANG A GEETHA : Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Archaeological Survey of India is undertaking a drive for preservation and restoration of number of historical and prestigious monuments in Delhi:

(b) the number and names of such monuments to be renovated: and

(c) when this campaign is likely to be completed '.'

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM AND CULTURE (SHRI ANANTH KUMAR): (a) and (b) The Archaeological Survey of India has a normal annual programme for maintenance, conservation and preservation of the centrally protected monuments as per their actual needs and availability of resources. The monuments included in the current years conservation programme arc as per enclosed Statement *(see* below).

(c) Conservation of the cent rally protected monuments is a continuous process.

Statement

Monuments of Delhi Circle, included in the Conservation Programme 2001-2002

1. QUTABMINAR
2 HUMAYUN'S TOMB
"S. FEROZSH A H KOTLA

4. TRIPOLI A GATE
5. ROSHANARA BARADARI
6. RED FORT
7. TUGHLAKABAD FORT
8. SAFDARJUNG'TOMB
9. PURANA QUILA
10. QiLA RAI PITHORA
11. SIRI FORT
12. SULTAN GHARIS TOMB
13. JAHAZ MAHAL
14. NAJAF KHAN'S TOMB
15. SIKANDER LODHIS TOMB
16. QUDSIA MOSQUE
17. SHEESH MAHAL (SHALIMAR BAGH)

Target for Increasing employment opportunities in tourism sector

†4127. PROF. MM. AGAR WAL : Will the Minister or TOURISM AND CULTURE be pleased to slate :

(aJ whether Government have fixed any target for increasing employment opportunities for educated unemployed youths in Tourism Sector during the Ninth Five Year Plan.

(b) if so. the details thereof; and

(c) the details of achivements made so far in this regard ?

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM AND CULTURE (SHRI ANA NTH KUMAR) : (a) No. Sir.

(b) and (c) Docs not arise.

Yatri Ninas constructed by Government

4128. PROF. M. M. AGAR WAL : Will the Minister orTOURISM AND CULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) the location-wise details of Yatri Nivvas constructed b\ Government during the last three years in the different Slates of the country:

(b) the details of financial allocation utilized so far during this period. Sta te-wisc/yca r-wi se;

(c) the reasons for not fully utilizing the allocated funds, and

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.